32867 to 32872—Continued.

32868. "Fuyu. Large, sweet variety."

32869. "Mino. Very large, astringent variety."

32870. "Kubo. Very early, sweet variety."

32871. No label.

32872. No label.

Note.—These two unlabeled plants are Kubo, listed under S. P. I. No. 32870, and Hachiya, a long, astringent variety. They can probably be identified when they fruit.

32873. Mauritia vinifera Mart.

Buriti.

From Bahia, Brazil. Presented by Mr. Southard P. Warner, American consul. Received February 27, 1912.

"A beautiful palm, which I saw in the greatest abundance in the swamps of Piauhy and Goyaz; it is called Buriti by the inhabitants, and is the Mauritia vinifera of Martius. This plant is not only the most beautiful, but one of the loftiest in the country; the leaves are fan shaped and form a large round ball at the top of the stem, after the manner of the Carnahuba. It produces a great number of nuts about the size of a small egg, covered with rhomboidal scales arranged in a spiral manner; between these scales and the albuminous substance of the nut there exists an oily pulp of a reddish color, which the inhabitans of Crato boil with sugar and make into a sweetmeat. In Piauhy they prepare from this pulp an emulsion which, when sweetened with sugar, forms a very palatable beverage, but if much used it is said to tinge the skin a yellowish color. The juice of the stem also forms a very agreeable drink, but to obtain it the tree must be cut down, when several holes about 6 inches square, 3 deep, and about 6 feet apart are cut in the trunk with a small axe, which in a short time become filled with a reddish colored liquid having much the flavor of sweet wine." (G. Gardner, Travels in the Interior of Brazil, p. 171–172.)

32874. Persea americana Miller.

Avocado.

From Guatemala City, Guatemala. Presented by Mr. S. Billow. Received February 26, 1912.

"Seeds of an avocado stated to be the largest and most deliciously flavored variety that is grown in Guatemala. They are now (February 22) in season." (Billow.)

32875. CITRUS NOBILIS Lour. (?)

Tangerine.

From Algiers, Algeria. Presented by Dr. L. Trabut. Received February 26, 1912.

"Clementine."

Cuttings.

32877. Triticum durum Desf.

Wheat.

From Atbazar, Akmolinsk district, Siberia. Received through Mr. Frank N. Meyer, agricultural explorer, Bureau of Plant Industry. Received February 27, 1912.

"(No. 1745a, November, 1911.) A very large hard wheat, called Afrikanski. Obtained through Mr. E. H. Brittenham, assistant manager of the Omsk office of the International Harvester Co. of America. See No. 1631a (S. P. I. No. 32175) for further remarks." (Meyer.)